DETERMINATION & FINDINGS FOR MANDATORY SET-ASIDE OF CONTRACTS $250,000.00 OR LESS

1. **AUTHORIZATION**

   DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45

2. **MINIMUM NEED**

   The District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) has a need for a Contractor to provide on-line periodicals subscription services on an as needed basic.

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE**

   $126,024.16

4. **FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AWARD TO OTHER THAN A CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) OR CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CBE) CONTRACTOR**

   DCPL searched the DSLBD website and the DC Supply Schedule on the OCP website in an effort to find certified businesses that could on-line subscription services. DCPL could not find any SBE/CBE businesses on either website. As a result, DCPL issued a purchase order to Ebsco Industries, Inc. on June 2, 2016. This acquisition falls under competition exemption code 2-354.13, number 15 (Subscriptions for periodicals and newspapers).

5. **CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST**

   I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the procurement of goods and services from other than a SBE or CBE contractor in accordance with DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45 and recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve this proposed action.

   

   [Signature]

   Date 6/2/16

   Ameer M. Abdullah, Sr.
   Contract Specialist
DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45, I hereby determine that the award of this procurement action for the goods or services described herein is in the best interest of the District of Columbia Public Library.

6/13/16
Date

[Signature]
Diane Wooden
Chief Procurement Officer